

Docket No.: 57029US002

**Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal**

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Application No.: 09/990604

Group Art Unit: 1712

Filed: November 21, 2001

Examiner: Daniel S. Metzmaier

Title: Nanoparticles Having a Rutile-like Crystalline Phase and Method of Preparing Same

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - iii.  Other
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
  - iv.  Other

2.  A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

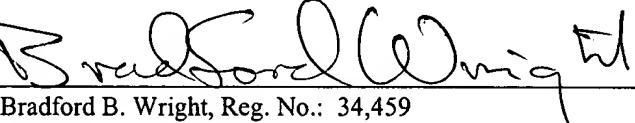
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- ii.  Other

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance dated May 11, 2004, in the above-identified application.

A Request for Continued Examination is being concurrently submitted with this amendment.